

## CLAIMS

1. A method for fabricating a microlens array comprising:  
a first step of bringing a lens side of a microlens array  
substrate having a plurality of lenses formed thereon into close  
contact with a flat surface of a master plate, in which one surface is  
said flat surface, with a light transmitting layer precursor  
therebetween;

a second step of curing said light transmitting layer  
precursor to form a light transmitting layer; and

a third step of releasing said master plate from said light  
transmitting layer.

2. The method for fabricating the microlens array according  
to claim 1 further comprising a step of forming at least one of a  
black matrix, an electrode, and an alignment layer on said light  
transmitting layer.

3. The method for fabricating the microlens array according  
to claim 1 further comprising a step of depositing a protective  
coating on said light transmitting layer.

4. The method for fabricating the microlens array according  
to claim 3 further comprising a step of forming at least one of a  
black matrix, an electrode, and an alignment layer on said protective  
coating.

5. The method for fabricating the microlens array according to any one of claims 1 to 4, wherein said light transmitting layer precursor includes a substance which can be cured by applying energy.

6. The method for fabricating the microlens array according to claim 5, wherein said energy is at least one of light and heat.

7. The method for fabricating the microlens array according to any one of claims 1 to 6, wherein said light transmitting layer precursor is made of a resin.

8. A microlens array fabricated by the method according to any one of claims 1 to 7.

9. An optical device having the microlens array according to claim 8.

10. The optical device according to claim 9, wherein the optical device is a display device having a light source for radiating light toward said microlens array.

11. The optical device according to claim 9, wherein the optical device is an imaging device having an image pick-up device that light focussed by said microlens array enters.